GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVANTS – Social Welfare Department – Allegations of corruption against Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District – Trapped on 18-5-2011 – Sanction for prosecution – Accorded – Orders – Issued.

Social Welfare (Ser.III.1) Department

G.O.Ms.No. 34 Dated:18-09-2012

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ORDER:

Whereas, Sri Yedaboina Galaiah S/o. Mallaiah worked as District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District from 15-04-2010 to 18-5-2011 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of "Public Servant" as defined under clause (c) of section 2 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988);

- 2. And whereas, Sri Md.Muneeruddin S/o. Md.Akbar is the Government Employee, working as Hostel Welfare Officer, Narsimhulapet, Warangal District resident of H.No.24-6-92, Fathima nagar, Kazipet, Warangal District is the complainant;
- And whereas, it is alleged by Sri Md.Muneeruddin S/o. Akbar that his elder son by name Sri Md.Musheeruddin, aged 19 years has been suffering from "Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (Blood Cancer)" since 2006. He represented the matter to Government requesting for sanction of re-imbursement towards the expenditure for treatment. Government in Memo.No. 4234/SW.Ser.I.1/2005, dated: 8-6-2005, advised the Commissioner of Social Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad to direct the applicant, Md.Muneeruddin, Hostel Welfare Officer to get the treatment to his son in Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad / Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences, Tirupathi/ Government Hospitals and prefer claim for medical reimbursement from time to time from the concerned sanctioning authority. Accordingly his son has been taking the treatment in Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences Hospital, Hyderabad every month and the expenditure incurred for treatment is being reimbursed. Every month Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal has been demanding bribe for forwarding his son's reimbursement bill to the Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal. In the month of April, 2011 when he submitted the bill to Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal for forwarding the same to Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal, Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal demanded Rs.5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) as bribe. He explained his economical position and requested Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal not to insist for the bribe. Again on 28-04-2011 and 06-05-2011 his son got the treatment in Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences as outpatient vide OP.No.606589115 for which an amount of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand only) was spent and an 'Essentiality Certificate' was issued by the concerned Doctor of Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences and attested by the Superintendent of Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad. The same was submitted to the Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal on 06-05-2011. The same bills were forwarded to Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal from the establishment section on 07-05-2011 duly signed by the Superintendent of Establishment Section. On 09-05-2011, he approached Sri Yedaboina Galaiagh, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal and requested him for approval of his son's file and send to Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal for issuing proceedings. But Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal demanded Rs.5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only)

for approving and forwarding the file to the Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal. He requested Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal not to insist for bribe and also explained his inability to pay bribe an amount of Rs.5,000/- . Then Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal clearly stated that unless he pays Rs.5,000/-(Rupees five thousand only) as bribe to him, the file would not be submitted to Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal for issuing of proceedings. Again on 12-05-2011 he met Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal and enquired about his son's file. Then Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal reiterated his earlier demand for payment of Rs.5,000/- as bribe. After prolonged persuasion Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal reduced the bribe amount from Rs.5,000/- to Rs.4,000/-. Being helpless he agreed to give Rs.4,000/- as bribe and told Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal that he will provide the bribe amount within 2 or 3 days. Then Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal instructed him to bring the said bribe amount to his office. Sri Md.Muneeruddin was unwilling to pay the bribe amount to Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal who is demanding Rs.4,000/- (Rupees four thousand only) for forwarding his son's treatment reimbursement file to Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal. He lodged a written complaint to the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Warangal Range. After due verification, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Warangal registered the same as a Cr.No.9/ACB-WRL/2011 on 18-5-2011 at 10.30 am and investigated into;

- 4. And whereas, it is further alleged that when Sri Md.Muneeruddin met Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal at his office on 18-05-2011, he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.4,000/-(Rupees four thousand only) as bribe with his left hand, kept the said amount in telugu book which was on the table in ante room and was trapped by the officials of the Anti-Corruption Bureau. The Phenolphthalein Test conducted on both hand fingers of Sri Y.Galaiah. The left hand fingers only yielded positive result. The tainted amount of Rs.4,000/- (Rupees four thousand only) was recovered from the telugu book titled "Bhodisatva, Bharataratna Dr. Ambedkar Adbutha Sukthulu". The contact portion of the above said telugu book at page numbers 18 and 19 was also subjected to Phenolphthalein Test, the same yielded positive result. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Warangal Range, Warangal seized the tainted currency notes, Current file bearing No.A1/151/2010 and Note file bearing No.A1/151/2010. The draft proceedings of Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Warangal, Dt:-5-2011, with the initial of the concerned Junior Assistant by name Sri Purnachander and resultant solutions duly attested by the mediators;
- 5. And whereas, the above said acts of Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District constitute the offences punishable under section 7, sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section(1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;
- 6. And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District from the service after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the said allegations and having regard to the circumstances of the case consider that the said Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District should be prosecuted in a court of law;

7. Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of Sri Yedaboina Galaiah, District Social Welfare Officer, Warangal District for the above said offences punishable under section 7, sub-section (2) of section 13, read with clause (d) of sub-section(1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J. RAYMOND PETER PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
Law (J) Department.

// FORWARDED:: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER